

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q67008

TAKENOUCHI, KAZUYA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/035,211

Group Art Unit: 1616

Confirmation No.: 4554

Examiner: S. N. QAZI

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For:

VITAMIN D3 DERIVATIVE AND TREATING AGENT FOR INFLAMMATORY

RESPIRATORY DISEASE USING SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith, a petition and fee to extend the time period for reply to the Office Action dated September 10, 2002, to January 10, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

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(Amended)

A vitamin D_3 compound expressed by the following general

formula (1) or pharmaceutically permissible solvates thereof,

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